

NJ YOUTH HUNTING LICENSE INFORMATION

Legislation signed by the former Governor Whitman which raised general hunting license fees also exempted youths under the age of 16 from certain license requirements, and created discount youth fees for deer, turkey and rifle permits.

The minimum age at which a fishing license and trout stamp are required has been raised to 16. Youths under 16 may fish without a license or trout stamp. All other regulations and bag limits apply.

Youth under the age of 16 may obtain a free archery, firearm hunting and trapping license provided they have taken the mandatory hunter/trapper education courses. All youths who have taken a hunter or trapper education course in New Jersey will receive the appropriate license in the mail. This license will be valid through December 31 of the year in which they turn 16. In the event a qualified youth does not receive a license through the mail, licenses will be available over-the-counter at regional Division offices and over-the-counter or via mail from the Trenton office.

Non-resident youths are also eligible for this program. Youth hunting permits will be available at regional Division offices or through the mail to non-resident youths who can demonstrate that they meet New Jersey hunter and trapper education requirements.

Until such time as a youth hunting license is obtained, hunters under the age of 16 may continue to hunt in New Jersey as long as they carry with them a previous issued New Jersey license or hunter education certificate for the appropriate season.

Pheasant/quail stamps will no longer be required for hunters under 16 while hunting on stocked Wildlife Management Areas.

Deer and turkey permits will be available at the reduced rate of \$12.00 for applicants under 16 years of age. Youth rifle permits will be available for \$10.00.

Licenses available in-person at the following offices:

Northern Region Office
26 Route 173 West
Hampton (Hunterdon County) 908-735-7040

Pequest Trout Hatchery and Natural Resource Ed. Ctr.
605 Pequest Road
Oxford (Warren County) 908-637-4125

Central Region Office
One Eldridge Road
Robbinsville (Monmouth County) 609-259-2132

Southern Region Office
220 Blue Anchor Road
Sicklerville (Camden County) 856-629-0090

Main Office
501 East State Street, 3rd Floor
Trenton (Mercer County) 609-292-2965

Applications can be mailed to the Trenton office:

NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife
ATTN: Youth Licenses
P.O. Box 400
Trenton, NJ 08625-0400

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife

RESIDENT AND NON-RESIDENT YOUTH HUNTING LICENSE APPLICATION

Applicable to youth hunters between 10 and 15 years of age (see reverse side for additional information). Applications must be completed entirely. All applications must be accompanied by an ORIGINAL previous year's hunting license or an ORIGINAL hunter education certificate. (*Applicants applying for a New Jersey resident hunting license must provide an ORIGINAL previous year's New Jersey hunting license or an ORIGINAL hunter education certificate.) NO PHOTOCOPIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AS PROOF. All original documentation will be returned.

NAME _____ AGE _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ SOCIAL SECURITY # _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE NUMBER (_____) _____

FIREARM: Previous License No. or Cert. No. _____ Year _____ State _____

ARCHERY: Previous License No. or Cert. No. _____ Year _____ State _____

TRAPPING: No license issued, applicants to use their hunter education certificate.

PARENT'S SIGNATURE FOR APPLICANTS UNDER 14 YEARS OLD:

DIVISION USE:

Date Issued _____ Office _____

Expiration Date _____